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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

RICHARD J. MARKLE ET AL.

Serial No.: 09/897,573

Filed: 7/2/2001

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DETERMINING GRID DIMENSIONS

USING SCATTEROMETRY

Group Art Unit: 2877

Examiner: Z. Smith

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED JANUARY 11, 2005

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated January 11, 2005 for which the two-month date for response is March 11, 2005.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Advanced Micro Devices, Inc. Deposit Account No. 01-0365/TT4865.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.